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Kowloon	6.40	9.15	10.30	12.00	1.15	4.35	5.25	7.10	7.10	7.10	7.10
Yanmat	6.50	9.24	10.39	12.09	1.24	4.44	5.34	7.19	7.19	7.19	7.19
Shatin	7.00	9.34	10.49	12.19	1.34	4.54	5.44	7.24	7.24	7.24	7.24
Taipei	7.10	9.44	11.04	12.24	1.44	5.04	5.54	7.34	7.34	7.34	7.34
Taipei Market	7.21	9.55	11.15	12.35	1.55	5.15	6.05	7.45	7.45	7.45	7.45
Shenzhen	7.31	10.05	11.25	12.45	2.05	5.25	6.15	7.55	7.55	7.55	7.55
Shenzhen	7.38	10.07	11.27	12.52	2.07	5.27	6.17	8.02	8.02	8.02	8.02
Shenzhen	7.49	10.13	11.33	12.58	2.13	5.34	6.24	8.08	8.08	8.08	8.08

SUNDAYS AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS											
Stations	Dep.	Arr.	Dep.	Arr.	Dep.	Arr.	Dep.	Arr.	Dep.	Arr.	Dep.
Shenzhen	7.21	8.06	10.39	11.40	3.00	4.17	5.13	6.06	6.06	6.06	6.06
Shenzhen	7.28	8.12	10.46	11.47	3.07	4.24	5.20	6.13	6.13	6.13	6.13
Shenzhen	7.38	8.18	10.59	11.51	3.11	4.28	5.24	6.17	6.17	6.17	6.17
Shenzhen	7.42	8.26	11.04	12.04	3.21	4.38	5.34	6.27	6.27	6.27	6.27
Shenzhen	7.51	8.30	11.04	12.07	3.25	4.42	5.38	6.31	6.31	6.31	6.31
Shenzhen	7.59	8.43	11.17	12.21	3.38	4.55	5.51	6.44	6.44	6.44	6.44
Shenzhen	8.13	8.55	11.29	12.33	3.50	5.06	6.03	6.58	6.58	6.58	6.58
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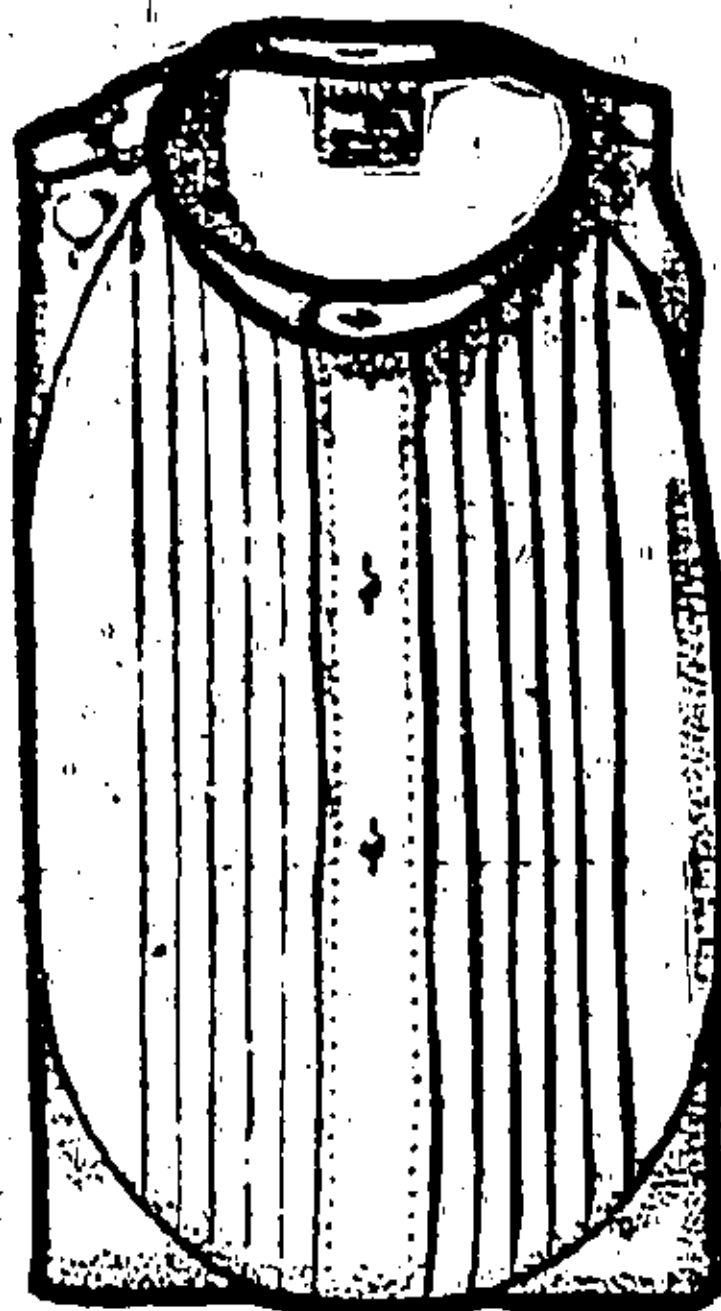
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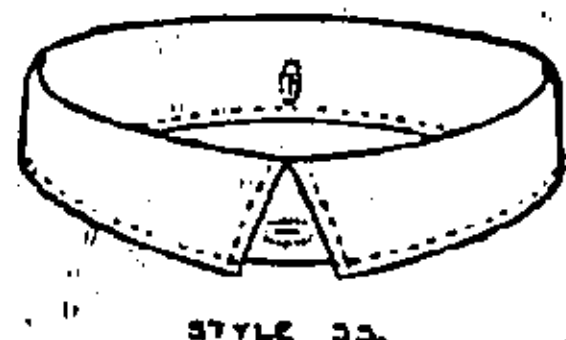


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While events in China are at present receiving less and less attention in the actual news columns of the British and other European newspapers, the present unrest, and its aspect with regard to the Foreign Powers, still provide a subject for occasional editorials. And to those whose path lies in the Far East, and to whom the effects of the same unrest are material and immediate realities, it should be illuminating to contemplate how sadly out of perspective may be the view, from the other side of the world, of writers whose opinions on matters nearer to their door may possibly be well worthy of attention. While some leader-writers show a more or less acute perception of the real influences at work behind the present disturbances throughout China, others would appear to survey them in a regrettably idealistic and erroneous spirit, and it is the printed opinions—however sincere—of these latter which can be so great an influence for mischief among large sections of the public who accept them without question. Recent expressions of opinion by writers in various European papers are given below, and after a perusal of these our readers may safely be left to make their own comparisons.

POLICY OF APPEASEMENT.

Says the *Observer*: This is the moment for a common policy of far-sighted appeasement on the part of the chief Treaty Powers. We can and must end the anti-British boycott by showing that no Power is more conciliatory than ourselves. But unless the Chinese by a conference of their own between representatives of the parties, satraps and native commercial interests, can remedy the present disintegration, there will be no real improvement. Tariff concessions may only feed the anarchy in that case; nor will any real extension of native jurisdiction over foreigners be possible. Also a British diplomatic rupture with Moscow is happily made less likely now that the Chinese situation is eased. Let us never forget a moment that in the Soviet State the party of realism and reason, the great individualist peasantry are bound to become more dominating. Russia's substantial advantages henceforth lie in world-restoration, not in world-revolution.

CHINA'S SECRET SOCIETIES.

Once again, says the *Daily Telegraph*, the secret societies of China have been given an opportunity, and again they are making full use of it. No one who has read with attention the history of China during recent years can have failed to realise the wide scope and influence of these secret organisations. Paradox or not, it is a fact that the Chinese, perhaps the most law-abiding nation in the world, can more easily than any other be worked upon by secret influences. In small things as in great, intrigue—or what the Western world would call intrigue—is as the breath of life to them. The Soviet Government of Moscow has had the luck to find ready to hand, both in the obsequious pessimism of the Russian muck and in the inveterate tendency to secret agitation in China, the means both of establishing its tyranny in Russia and of extending its doctrines in the East of Asia. These advantages have not been neglected. Bolshevik influence in China permeates the entire sub-continent so far as the fibre active sections of Chinese political clubs are concerned. Other sections, unconvinced but helpless, lend their numbers, if not their hearts, to the movement. As yet, we have not seen more than the first infiltration of this virus. If Chinese history is once more to be repeated, the movement is likely to simmer for a few months longer, and then the bulk of the Chinese people, detached

long-suffering, and without any understanding of the matter, will hear, with traditional placidity if not with sympathy, the results of a final clash, not only between their political agitators and the foreign demons, but of an armed revolt against any and every Chinese Government that fulfils its bargain with the European.

FRENCH OPINIONS.

After a long analysis of the causes of the Chinese crisis the *Petit Parisien* reaches the following conclusion:— "China's affairs must be followed by Europe in the most comprehensive and careful manner. Every day the old treaties are crumbling. The rights of the privileged Powers are being limited under the continued pressure of the elements in the interior and the north. What is to be done? We must not allow ourselves to be drawn into ill-considered renunciations, but must help the forces of order, which will finally gain the upper hand towards economic and administrative re-organisation, and we must collaborate with the greatest possible number of Chinese. We must, however, be prepared to adapt our status to the aspirations of New China."

The *Petit Journal* expresses similar opinions. It says that order must be completely restored in the territories where the foreign colonies reside. The Central Government must be capable of exercising its authority in the country. The laws, justice and prison administration must be improved and adapted to the needs and principles of Western peoples. Chinese territory must be completely free to foreigners.

Writing in the *Echo de Paris*, "Pertinax" says that when speaking of the solution of the Chinese problem people talk as if it were already solved, but the illusory promises which had been lavished on the Chinese Nationalists and the disappointments by which they will be followed will not bring about pacification.

The *Chronicle* considers that extra-territoriality is the original cause of the disorders in China. The paper hopes that at the projected Conference France will resolutely admit, with all its consequences, the primordial right of the Chinese to their own land.

The *Matin* says:—"At bottom everyone is agreed to consider China seriously, only each one according to his own interests. Each of the Powers is adopting the attitude that appears most likely either to make itself respected or to gain Chinese sympathies. It is only by unity of action that the Powers have any chance of carrying out their arduous task."

FOREIGNERS IN CHINA.

FRENCH AMBASSADOR'S PLAIN SPEAKING.

At a reception to members of the French community in London in connection with the French National Fête on July 14th, at the French Embassy at Albert Gate, M. de Fleurbaey, the Ambassador, made a speech, which included the following passages:—

In all countries the interests of our French communities must be watched and defended with the greatest care. That was my special care when I was in Peking, as it is now that I am in London, and I can assure you that the position of our compatriots in China at this moment is deserving of all our attention and sympathy.

What has enabled them to live and prosper in a country where certain elements among the ruling classes have always stirred up the population against them is the régime of treaties in force. These treaties could not be touched without the greatest risk to foreigners in China. When someone talks about altering them and of making concessions to a Chinese Government which has no authority in the country the lives and property of foreigners are thereby imperilled. The agitators who stir up the well-disposed Chinese against foreigners would not go on with their dastardly work if they were not fully encouraged from outside. The affection I have retained for our compatriots in China makes me hope that all the interested Governments will unite in defending their nationals, not only at the present moment by immediate concerted protective measures, but also in the future by maintaining for their nationals the guarantees provided by the old treaties, until China has reached the stage when she herself can ensure the security

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THE CHINA DEADLOCK.

NEWS DISTORTED BY HOME PROPAGANDISTS.

"China has dropped into a back seat in the news sheets this week states the *China Express and Telegraph* of July 23rd. Correspondents in Peking, Shanghai, Hongkong and elsewhere have had little of the exciting stuff of previous weeks to send, and actually *The Times* came out one day without a line of reference to China from any of its men on the spot. The position is that nine diplomatic representatives in Peking have to receive instructions from their respective Governments, and until they do no development in the political situation can be expected."

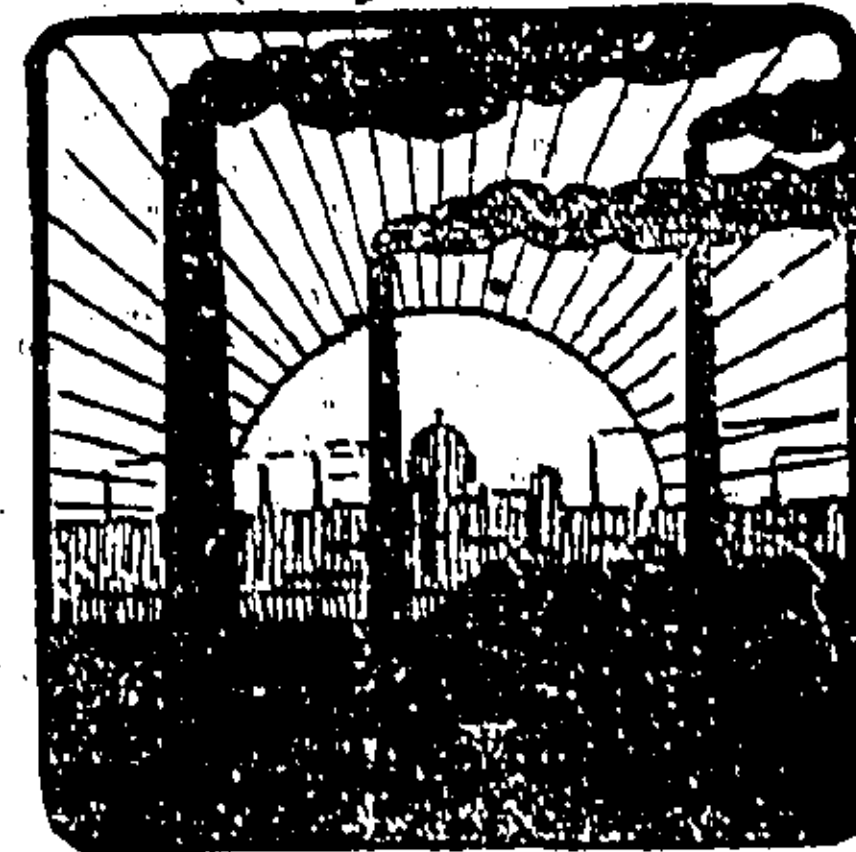
In the sense that no news is better than false news, it may be useful to study a further announcement of our London contemporary.

"Informed articles in the home Press, it states particularly those in papers supporting Socialism, are being widely used as propaganda for the continuation of the boycott and strike. Even questions asked in the House of Commons by Socialist M.P.s, greatly falsified, are used, it being urged that the Socialists are fighting China's cause in the British Government, thus proving the guilt of the Chinese sources of the blameworthiness of the Peking Government, whose weakness and ineptitude enabled the trouble to develop, and which now meekly counsels a cessation of the disorder and subscribes at the same time to the funds of the agitators."

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JAPANESE MILL STRIKE.

AIDE-MEMOIRE SIGNED AT SHANGHAI.

Mr. Yada, Japanese Consul-General met with General Shing Shi Lien and Mr. Hsu Yuan, the Commissioner of Foreign Affairs, on August 12th to affix their signatures to an aide memoire, agreement on which had been reached on the previous day.

The terms of the memoranda are as follows:—

- 1.—The Japanese mill owners agree to recognize the unions as representatives of their employees when such an organization has been formed according to Labour Union law to be promulgated by Peking after peace and order is established.
- 2.—The mill owners do not recognize the principle of strike pay, but have agreed, in view of the hardships occasioned by the strike, to assist them reasonably. This assistance will equal four days' pay for all employees—a total of \$100,000.
- 3.—The wages of workers are to be increased according to the merit of their respective skill. Upon resumption the mills are inclined to give further consideration of a re-adjustment of wages.
- 4.—In future the workers are as in the past to be paid in big money. That fraction over and above an even amount will be credited to the next pay cheque.
- 5.—No arms are to be carried by force men in the mills under ordinary conditions.
- 6.—No workers to be dismissed without just cause.
- 7.—Those mills having electric power are to resume operation at once. Those dependent upon the Electricity Department for power will open as soon as power is furnished them.

The Japanese cotton mills are now faced with the problem of their own generators, of the mills having their own generators, commented the *N.C. Daily News* on the following day. It is reported from important Japanese sources that they have already approached the Municipal Electricity Department on the subject but have not had a favourable reply because the Electricity Department is not prepared to change its policy unless general con-

ditions improve. The Japanese cotton mill-owners hold that with the return of their workers, the back of the strike is broken, except in shipping and allied industries, and that unless they can open their mills all their efforts to reach an arrangement with their workers will come to naught. It was also suggested in Japanese circles that as the coal used by the Electricity Department comes from Japan, delivery can be guaranteed and that even labour can be provided. Already it has been suggested that perhaps the Japanese mill-owners agitate themselves over this question prematurely, it is quite clear that they have been informed that they would have no power and they are much concerned about it.

AN IMPOSSIBILITY.

According to the Electricity Department, there is no immediate prospect of the restoration of power to the mills. Forty-four mills are involved. With 3,000 men on strike at Riverside Power station, it is impossible at once to restore bulk power supply to these mills. None of these mills is installed with its own steam generating plant, being dependent entirely upon the Electricity Department for its current. As stated above, we were told from a usually reliable source that Japanese interests had arranged to supply Japanese labour to replace some of the strikers at Riverside, and thus ensure the supply of current.

"This is the first I have heard of the rumour," said an official of the Electricity Department, when asked whether Japanese temporary labour would take the place of the workers out at the power stations.

MURDER CHARGE WITHDRAWN.

STONE-WORKERS DISCHARGED.

A dastardly murder was committed at Ma Tau Kok on July 16th when a Chinese stone-worker was assaulted with a bamboo pole and thrown into the sea. Five of his fellow workmen were apprehended on the capital charge but when they appeared at the Kowloon Magistrate's yesterday, the Crown offered no evidence against them and they were all discharged.



## "KILL THE REDS."

REPORTED "AMBITION OF SUN WUI PEOPLE. STRONG FORCE OF MILITIA BEING RAISED.

A Chinese correspondent sends us an interesting account, of the action being taken by the people of Sun Wui to defend themselves from attack by the Red Army. The resolutions, as noted, may have been passed, but we doubt whether a force of 100,000 has been raised, each man armed with the most up-to-date rifle or automatic pistol. Our correspondent writes:—

Rumours have been afloat for some time recently that a conflict between the "Reds" and the "Anti-Reds" is imminent. From reports just to hand trouble may break out at any moment, as the steps taken by the "Reds" in an attempt to oust General Leung Hung Kai, of the First Corps of the Cantonese Army at present occupying the four southern districts, are becoming more apparent. During the last few days there have been incessant movements of "Red" troops in and around Heung Shan District; the troops under the command of Chin Ming Shu and General Chang Kai Shek, the notorious Whampoa Cadets' leader, have made a move towards Chiu Lin, a place between Heung Shan and Sun Wui Districts. Their objective is said to be the Sun Wui District.

General Leung, on hearing of the approach of the "Reds," immediately took emergency measures. He ordered a heavy detachment of his troops to Shui Ling, and strict instructions were given that if the "Reds" attempted to cross the border, they should receive "a suitable reception." The "Reds," however, have for the moment stopped their advance pending the arrival of reinforcements from Canton.

It is believed the "Reds" are anxious to occupy the "Four Districts" comprising Sun Wui, Toy Shan, Hoi Ping and Yun Ping simply because they are the richest of all the districts in Kwangtung Province.

The population do not want the "Reds" in control and means are being considered for checking their advance.

## PUBLIC MEETING HELD.

A meeting was called in the premises of the Sun Wui College in the capital town of Sun Wui District, which no fewer than 40,000 people attended, and the following resolutions were unanimously passed and put into effect.

- (1) That in addition to the \$100,000 subscribed by those present in the meeting, delegates be deputed to visit the trading ports, villages and market towns to raise a sufficient sum of money to provide for the expense of the "Anti-Reds."
- (2) That all guns and other weapons of war hitherto owned by the villagers and merchants for self-protection, be freely brought into use by their respective owners to kill the enemies; and that the village and merchants' militia be at once mobilized and placed under command of military experts detailed by General Leung Hung Kai.
- (3) That all men and women be enrolled as volunteer workers to help in the transportation of food and war materials to the front so as to enable the militia to concentrate their energy and effort upon killing the enemy.
- (4) That whenever and wherever the "Red" army may invade, everyone shall rise in a united effort, without discrimination of territory, to co-operate with each other; and that all women be also requested to arm themselves to help the militia to kill everyone of the "Reds."

Since the meeting of the people, it is reported that in Sun Wui District alone there have been mobilized 100,000 militia, of whom every unit is provided with the most up-to-date rifle and/or automatic pistol with 500 rounds of ammunition each. Following the procedure adopted in Sun Wui District, the people of Toy Shan and the neighbouring districts are rapidly mobilising the people's and merchants' militia, and it is now estimated that the total number of men properly armed to fight the "Reds" in the four districts number more than 200,000. In addition to this army, the well equipped forces under the command of General Leung also number upwards of 20,000 men.

## AN EXPENSIVE JOKE.

## IMPERSONATOR GOES TO GAOL.

An unemployed Chinese was sentenced to one month's hard labour by Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, for impersonating a police officer, and with assaulting a coolie employed at the Yau-mat Police Station.

Complainant said that on Sunday defendant accepted him in Reclamation Street, and stated that he was a police officer. Witness submitted to a search. When defendant found nothing incriminating he assaulted witness.

Defendant said that he mistook plaintiff for an acquaintance and asked in a jocular manner what he was carrying in his parcel.

## RACING NOTES.

PROSPECTS FOR SECOND HALF OF SEASON.

NEXT YEAR'S SUB-GRIFFINS.

[BY ARGUS.]

For some days now, ponies have been in work on the sand track preparatory to their engagements for the remaining extra meetings of this season. The next fixture at Happy Valley is October 10th and 12th.

The dismal Jimmies have been saying, for the last three weeks, that it will be impossible to hold the meeting. I can assure my readers that unless further abnormal rains fall, there is no likelihood of the grass track not being ready.

Provided normal weather conditions prevail, the grass track—possibly bare in places down the straight—will be open within three weeks without employment of extra labour.

All members of clubs—Jockey Club, Golf and Football—will be interested to learn that the authorities, responsible for the upkeep of Happy Valley recreation area, have under contemplation a drainage scheme which should effectually prevent any extensive damage being done to the race-course or playing fields in the future.

To complete the scheme will entail a heavy outlay, but the necessary money, I am assured, will be forthcoming now that the Government and the Club officials interested have decided that the patchwork of the past does not pay.

## OWNERS DROP OUT.

Owing to the business depression, it is probable that fewer owners will patronise the remaining three meetings of the year. This does not necessarily signify that there will be less interest shown by the general public, though doubtless the revenue from the cash sweeps and totalisator will fall short of the high figures realised at the meetings earlier in the year.

Fields are quite likely to equal in numbers those of last Autumn, provided ponies that have been summering in Shanghai return here in time.

For instance, Mr. Dynasty is expected to bring down Spotted Snail, King of the Plains and possibly others of his string, if they are sound.

Mr. A. A. Alves is now the owner of Invincible Dragon, who is due to arrive here in time for the next meeting. He was a Kiangwan griffin, in February, 1924, and at his best is a useful sprinter.

Mr. R. J. Paterson has a small string of ponies in Tientsin, which he hopes to have here before the year ends. Whether they will race before the next Annual Meeting, March 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 6th, is problematical. Among them is a pony called September, which has proved himself a "smasher" at any distance not beyond a mile.

In view of the unkind things said about "Tientsin times," it will be of especial interest to compare the performances of September on this course provided he is in racing trim. With regard to the disparaging things said about Northern times generally, I think many critics lose sight of the fact that this course is probably one of the most difficult to negotiate in the Far East, especially to a long-striding pony. Again, it is seldom that rain mars a meeting in Tientsin.

Prince Regent has been in work on the Kiangwan race-course since July 20th and may be given a run here before Christmas.

Both Local Option and Grey Morn are in work and either should give the Prince a run for his money. Others to be considered are Chicago, King of the Plains and Gypsy Love at their respective distances.

## NEXT SEASON'S SUBS.

There are 62 names on the list for next season's subscription griffins. As readers are aware, a committee in Shanghai has kindly undertaken to obtain the ponies, and as all will have to pass the "vet," we should hear less grumbling than formerly.

Whatever the ultimate result, it is safe to prophesy that a far greater percentage will face the starter than was the case under the old system, when a contractor was invited to supply so many ponies at a fixed sum per head with no stipulation as to age or soundness.

Though many disapproved the present scheme when passed, they must realise now that had the old system been adhered to, it is most unlikely that any ponies would have been forthcoming owing to the trouble North of Peking, which has not affected, to any extent, the Russian dealers who are supplying the majority of the 1926 batch. The first shipment is expected towards the middle of September.

## THEFT OF DYNAMITE.

## LAWLESSNESS ON THE FRONTIER.

Prior to the Shatauk affair, the magazine of Mr. Leong Yick, Mr. Tso Tsan Tai's contractor at "Kuk Po" Quarry, opposite Shatauk and in British Territory, was broken open and some dynamite stolen.

The theft took place on the 12th inst., but fortunately, owing to the strike, only a small quantity of explosives was locked up in this magazine.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

SPECIAL CONSTABLES.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."]

Sir,—There were some men (foreigners), brave and bold (I), who could but would not help in any capacity during the strike. Now these gentry are vexing sarcastic about the Special Constables who, besides doing office work, had to go on picket duty. These men (Specials) offered their services willingly and smilingly, without pay. I call such remarks as: "The Specials (Finest qui putitur) are brave and useful, aren't they? Not half," and "When a shot is fired you will see the Specials run to the nearest tree for shelter"—caddish and disgraceful. My only conclusion is that the speakers speak from experience. I presume that during the 1922 strike these men were enrolled as Specials and when danger threatened them they, brave men, faked!

Although we have not done anything extraordinary we deserve, I think, more than such sarcasm. We have done, and are still doing, our "bit," which is more than what our satirists can say.—Yours, et.

## A SPECIAL CONSTABLE.

Hongkong, August 18th, 1925.

[Ed. Note: We have never heard any derogatory remarks passed regarding Special Constables, and are inclined to think our correspondent's protest is unnecessary. He, however, is suffering from a grievance, real or imaginary, and we give publicity to it.]

## CHEAP RICE.

SALE BY TUNG WAH HOSPITAL STOPPED.

In view of the considerable rise in the price of rice during the strike, the Tung Wah Hospital has for some weeks been selling large quantities of this commodity cheaply to the poor of the community, who found much difficulty in procuring their principal daily food. As the situation has now become more nearly normal again, the Hospital is discontinuing the sale of cheap rice, which has proved a great boon to the poor people who have been supplied with it.

The plan for the sale of this rice originated at the beginning of the strike. A representative of the Daily Press learned from the Tung Wah Hospital yesterday that from its four depots over 4,000 piculs of cheap rice has been sold from June 26th up to yesterday. The hospital procured its cheap rice at about \$0.70 per picul and sold it to the poor at 15 cetties for one dollar. Over \$100 worth was sold daily.

The sale of this rice, we were informed, was conducted with a purely charitable motive to help the poor during the crisis, and as a result the Tung Wah Hospital has lost over \$2,000, all the rice having been sold at a price which was under cost.

## UNCOMMON EVENT.

THREE THREE-FUNNEL SHIPS IN HARBOUR.

An uncommon event in the shipping annals of the Colony will take place this morning when with the arrival of the P. & O. s.s. *Narkunda* there will be three three-funnelled vessels to be seen in the harbour. The other three-funnelled vessels are the R.M.S. *Empress of Asia* and the B.I. s.s. *Tajikistan*. Two such vessels are often in the harbour but this is believed to be the first occasion on which three such vessels have been here at the same time.

The *Narkunda*, which is on her first trip to China, is the largest P. & O. vessel ever to visit Hongkong. She was built by Messrs. Harland and Wolff, Ltd., at Belfast. Her keel was laid in 1920. She is 581.4 feet long, has a breadth of 69.4 feet, and moulded depth 40.75 feet. Her registered tonnage is 16,227 and displacement, fully laden, 25,900 tons. The engines which were also built by Harland and Wolff, Ltd., are 1,800 h.p. Her cruising speed is 18 knots and her diameter 19ft. 5ins., and pitch 23ft. She has accommodation for 444 1st-class passengers and 247 2nd-class passengers. Her crew numbers 437.

## MORE BORDER FIRING.

POLICE BOAT SHOT AT FROM CHINESE TERRITORY.

Another border incident occurred early yesterday morning when a police rowing boat, manned by Chinese constables in charge of a European Sergeant, which was carrying out patrol duty on the Shumshun river in the neighbourhood of Lokmashan, was fired upon from the Chinese bank of the river.

The boat fired at was one that has recently been put into commission for patrol service. The report states that a labour picket fired upon the boat, but fortunately without effect. The fire was returned, with what result has not been learned.

Last Friday at the same point a police motor-boat patrol was fired upon.

## JUSTICE WITH TEARS.

CHINESE WHO WHIMPERED AT \$100 FINE.

"Why did you abscond for 14 days after the accident?" asked Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, of a Chinese defendant, who was charged with driving a lorry recklessly in Tsui Wan Road on June 13th, when the lorry overturned and eight persons riding in the vehicle at the time were injured.

"About ten persons armed with bamboo poles chased me and attacked me," replied defendant, "and I was in fear of my life. Had I remained they might have killed me, and then my old people would be without support."

Sergeant Smith stated that the incident occurred in the early morning of June 13th in Tsui Wan Road. There were eight persons in the lorry, which toppled over, all the occupants being injured, two of them very seriously. Witness was of opinion that the lorry must have been travelling very fast, since there was a mark of skidding on the roadway, measuring over a hundred feet. He examined the vehicle and found that the tyres on the wheels were intact.

One of the injured persons whose foot was in a very bad state, and who, Sergeant Smith said, would probably be crippled for life, stated in evidence that the car was being driven very fast. This was corroborated by another of the injured who had been in hospital for over three weeks.

Defendant stated that he was travelling on first gear and the accident was due to the bursting of one of the front tyres.

He also brought forward two witnesses, his master and a *juki* whose evidence was contradictory.

A Chinese foreman of the P.W.D. stated that he saw the lorry topple over and later found that the front tyre had burst.

Sergeant Smith, recalled, stated that the tyre had not burst.

His Worship said that he would take into consideration the fact that defendant had been under detention for two weeks. He would be fined \$100. Of this, \$20 would be given to the man who was the most seriously injured, and \$15 to the other.

Defendant whimpered on hearing His Worship's decision.

## A NARROW ESCAPE.

## EUROPEAN'S ACCIDENT IN RICKSHA.

Before Mr. S. B. B. McElderry at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, the driver of taxi No. 1383, was summoned for negligent driving at Caroline Road, Causeway Bay, on August 6th. Inspector Alexander (Traffic Department) was in charge of the case.

The evidence showed that Mr. J. H. Simmons, an Inspector of the Hongkong Tramway Company, was riding Eastwards in a ricksha, when the taxi-cab driver, the defendant, hesitated as to which direction he should take when near the Tramway Shelter at Causeway Bay and ran into the ricksha, which was completely turned over. Mr. Simmons, who fortunately only received slight injuries, had a very narrow escape. The ricksha coolie was also slightly injured.

In his defence, the defendant said that after the accident, he asked the ricksha coolie to go to the police station with him regarding the damage done, but he refused to do so.

Defendant was fined \$10, and ordered to pay the ricksha coolie \$10, compensation.

## ANOTHER "IDLER" RAID.

## TWENTY-ONE PEOPLE DETAINED.

The police, assisted by military made another raid for the purpose of rounding up "idlers" yesterday. The raid on this occasion was undertaken in the Wan-chai district, the area selected being that enclosed by Praya East on the north, by Queen's Road East on the south, and by Gresson Street and Ship Street on the West and East.

A detachment from the 1st Battalion, the East Surrey Regiment, under the command of Captain Armstrong, M.C., drew a cordon around the area mentioned and the police carried out a systematic search. The police were in charge of Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse, C.I.E., (the Captain Superintendent of Police), Mr. L. H. V. Booth (the Assistant Director of Criminal Intelligence), and Mr. W. R. Scott (2nd A.S.P.).

A large number of persons were taken into custody, but many of these were released, the remainder, numbering twenty-one, were taken to Police Headquarters for further investigation to be made.

At the Kowloon Magistracy before Mr. E. W. Hamilton yesterday, a Chinese named Lam Kai was charged with having participated in an armed robbery on July 18th at Shamshui, when several men held up two Chinese and robbed them of \$25, a gold ring and some clothing. An Indian constable who tried to capture some of the robbers was wounded in the wrist with a dagger. Defendant was remanded.



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Hongkong, 18th August, 1925. [2537]

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H. OWEN HUGHES, Hon. Secretary. [2538]

O. J. ACTION NO. 216 OF 1925.

APOLOGY.

OFING PIK KAM, Esq., Assistant Manager, THE SOUTH KWANTUNG INDUSTRIAL BANK, LIMITED, HONGKONG.

DEAR SIR,

You have commenced an action against me, as printer and publisher of the *Tai Kwoong* Newspaper, claiming damages for libel contained in an article published by the said *Tai Kwoong* Newspaper on the 10th June, 1925, which article is set out in your statement of Claim in the above action. I now confess that the statements relating to yourself contained in the said article are absolutely untrue and without the slightest substance in fact. I hereby unreservedly withdraw every word in that article which in any way reflects on your character. I admit that there never was any foundation for any of the charges contained in the article. I deeply regret that they were ever made, and I tender you my sincere apologies therefor. I agree to pay the sum of \$5,000 as damages and in addition your costs as between solicitor and client, and consent to judgment being entered therefor and to this apology being read out in open court and embodied in the judgment.

Yours faithfully, LAI YAT NAM. [2532]

HONGKONG FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION.

THE POSTPONED ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the above Association will be held (by kind permission of Mr. COL. L. G. BIRD) at the Victoria Hotel, HONGKONG, on FRIDAY, 22nd SEPTEMBER, 1925, at 5.30 P.M. SHARP. All Clubs in Membership are entitled to be represented by Two Delegates.

W. E. HOLLANDS, Hon. Secretary and Treasurer. [2529]

THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI HOTELS, LIMITED.

WITH reference to the Offer of New Shares dated the 15th May, 1925 (made to Existing Shareholders of the Company) by the terms of which the sum of \$7.50 per share was to be paid on the 30th June, 1925, and the sum of \$5 on the 30th September, 1925, the Directors have decided (in view of the present condition of affairs) to extend these Dates.

The Date for Payment of the First Instalment of \$7.50 per share is accordingly extended until the 30th SEPTEMBER, 1925, and the Date for Payment of the Second Instalment until the 31st DECEMBER, 1925.

As regards shareholders who take advantage for these extended times the New Shares allotted to them will rank for Dividend as from the 1st October, 1925, in respect of half the nominal value thereof and as from the 1st JANUARY, 1926, in respect of the full nominal value thereof.

Any Shareholder who makes payment prior to the due date will be allowed interest at 7 per cent. per annum on the amount paid by him from the date of payment until the due date.

This Notice will not affect those Shareholders who make payment on the original dates, i.e., as regards the First Instalment on the 30th June, and as regards the Second Instalment on the 30th SEPTEMBER, 1925. The Shares to be allotted to them will be in accordance with the original terms of the offer rank for Dividend on One-half the nominal value as from the 1st JULY, 1925, and on the Full nominal value as from the 1st OCTOBER, 1925.

By Order of the Board, J. H. F. GAGART, Managing Director. [2361]

THE HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD.

WITH reference to the Offer of New Shares dated the 10th June, 1925 (made to Existing Shareholders of the Company) by the terms of which the sum of \$30 per share was to be paid on or before the 15th JULY, 1925, and the sum of \$30 per share on or before the 15th OCTOBER, 1925, the Directors have decided that as regards those Shareholders (having a registered Address in the Far East) who do not feel themselves (owing to present circumstances) in a position to accept the Company's Offer on or before the 15th JULY, 1925, a further opportunity shall be given to them to take up the New Shares.

Such Shareholders may accordingly take up the New Shares on or before the 15th day of SEPTEMBER, 1925, and may pay the First Instalment of \$30 per New Share on or before that Date. They will, however, be required to pay interest at 6% per annum on the amount of such First Instalment from the 15th DAY OF JULY, 1925, until the Date of Payment.

The Second Instalment of \$30 per share will be Payable Not Later Than the 15th DECEMBER, 1925, and interest upon it will be Payable from the 15th OCTOBER, 1925, at the Rate of 6% per annum until the Date of Payment.

This Notice will not affect those Shareholders who accept or who have accepted the Original Offer and who make payment on the Dates originally fixed, i.e., as regards the First Instalment on or before the 15th JULY, 1925, and as regards the Second Instalment on or before the 15th OCTOBER, 1925.

By Order of the Board, R. M. DYER, Chief Manager. [2538]

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SECRETARY, A. S. WATSON & Co., Ltd. [2289]

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DEATH.

RAMSEY.—At 9.45, on August 9th, WILLIAM GEORGE RAMSEY, aged 41, Chief Engineer S.S. *Kinnah*, C.N. Co., youngest son of the late WILLIAM RAMSEY, Hongkong. [2535]

Hongkong Office: 1A, Chater Road.

London Office: 131, Fleet Street, E.C.

**The Daily Press.**

HONGKONG, AUGUST 19TH, 1925.

ECONOMIC FACTS ABOUT COAL PRODUCTION.

BROADLY speaking there are two controversial points which are generally emphasised in a labour dispute concerning the coal trade in England, and both were stressed by the representatives of masters and men in the crisis which dominated public attention at home during the past month. One point is that the miner owners blame the men for wanting to get control of the industry and inevitably ruin it; the other point is that the trade union leaders charge the owners with avarice and a desire to grind the faces of the poor working man.

Of course, these assertions are mostly wrong; they were merely the trumpeting that preceded the battle. They filled the newspapers and they bemused the popular mind. Both sides are accustomed to appeal to the public knowing with sure instinct that without public support they cannot ultimately succeed. But it is not by such methods that the seeker after truth should approach the subject.

A study of the conditions in the coal-fields of Great Britain which led up to the coal crisis that developed at the beginning of July is most instructive.

This development was predicted for months beforehand, since the announcement was made on behalf of the Mining Association representing the owners that they proposed to terminate the agreement which had been in operation for the regulation of working hours and wages.

With the end of the existing agreement another one had to be formulated.

Therein lay difficulties and dangers not only for all the various interests concerned in coal-getting but for the nation. We are pleased to note that both parties showed themselves alive to the seriousness of the position, although as usually happens there was a certain amount of bombast in the speeches of trade union leaders.

It is exceedingly unfortunate that this dispute in the coal-field should have arisen just at a time when Britain is experiencing an unparalleled slump in trade. On the other hand, something had to be done. What are the facts? In every economic discussion we have to come back to supply and demand. The demand for British coal has diminished alarmingly. A few figures will illustrate it. At the annual meeting of Guest, Keen and Nettlefold's, the chairman, Mr. Edward Street, made some statements on the subject of the coal trade which are so clear and decided that we will repeat their points. Since January, 1921, upwards of 400 collieries in various parts of the country have been closed down, a large portion of which will probably not be re-opened, and the value of the country's exports during the twelve months ending March 31st last was less by about £31,000,000 than the export value for the previous twelve months.

Mr. Street's explanation of the causes of the above facts are illuminating. They are high cost of production per ton, due to wages, increased price of timber and stores, unemployment and national health insurance, welfare levy, railway charges, and local rates, "but the most important factor of all is the short number of hours worked, whereas none of the four producing countries with which we are in competition has such a working day as seven hours." In Germany the hours of working underground are eight per day, with an additional hour a day overtime by agreement between owners and men when trade warrants it. In France, Belgium and the United States of America the working day underground is eight hours. In the Pennsylvania Coal-fields of West Virginia, one of the chief competitors of South Wales, the miners actually work eight hours at the coal face.

The foregoing gives the case for the colliery owners in a nut-shell. The facts and figures are beyond dispute. But let us get down from general statements to comparative figures. The owners say they cannot produce coal to sell at a price which will enable Britain to compete in the world markets. They could do so if the miners agreed to work another hour a day. But this is one of the things the miners absolutely refuse to do. It is not surprising that diminished production in Great Britain is reflected in the official records. The total produced for the twelve months ended March, 1924, was 7,196,842 tons, and for the twelve months ended last March the comparative figure was 5,889,659. No wonder there is grave anxiety in the outlook at home. And if pits have been closed and 100,000 British miners are out of work it is not because the owners have taken undue profits.

We take from the *Colliery Guardian*, a weekly organ of the coal and iron trades, owned by colliery proprietors, statistics that are not questioned. Let us take the largest area, the Eastern, comprising Yorkshire, Nottinghamshire, Derbyshire, Leicestershire, Cannock Chase, and Warwickshire. The total net cost per ton is 16s. 6d. Of this figure wages stand for 12s. 4d.; stores and timber for 1s. 7d.; other costs (management, salaries, insurance, repairs, etc.) for 2s. 5d.; miners' welfare fund contribution (paid by owners) for 1d., and royalties for 4d. Thus out of a net cost of 16s. 6d., the men take in wages 12s. 4d., for the penny to the welfare fund must be added to the wages, while the much denounced royalties are no more than 4d. In the South Wales and Monmouth area the cost is 20s. 4d. per ton, the wages 14s. 4d., and the royalty 9d. In the Lancashire, North Staffordshire, and Cheshire area the cost is 20s. 4d., the wages 15s., and the royalty 5d. Taking the summary or average for the whole of Great Britain, the cost is 18s., the wages 12s. 11d., and the royalty 6d. So the wages run from two-thirds to three-fourths of the cost, while the average royalty is 6d. a ton.

## STOCK EXCHANGE ENQUIRY.

The first meeting of the Commission of Enquiry appointed by the Government to report on the methods of dealing in stocks and shares in the Colony is to be held to-morrow afternoon. Such an enquiry is, we believe, generally welcomed, but there are a few of the more pessimistic brokers who doubt whether it will serve any practical purpose. They, perhaps, do not express themselves in these terms—the situation has gone so far out of their control that they have ceased to use polite language in regard to it—but they allow it to be distinctly understood that they are exceedingly sceptical as to the results which will be achieved.

It is thought that the Committee of Investigation will not concern itself with the past, but will devote all its intelligence towards evolving some scheme under which the more undesirable elements of speculation, which have been allowed to develop in recent years, may be eliminated in future. It is suggested that one Stock Exchange would meet all the legitimate requirements of Hongkong investors and that the members of that Exchange should be requested to provide some very material evidence of their financial responsibility. In this connection a deposit of \$50,000 has been mentioned as a reasonable guarantee.

If the Government, however, now think that over speculation can be avoided by the simple procedure of limiting the number of recognised brokers—and the measures outlined above would limit the number very considerably—it would be an advantage to know why they permitted the registration of three Exchanges in the past. Were they guided by any principle in these matters, such, for example, as making a perfectly free and open market for the disposal of shares? If so, what has caused them to change their views, or would they be prepared to register three or more Exchanges again if the necessary legal requirements were complied with.

We imagine that a good deal of trouble would be avoided if a rule were introduced that all differences on shares should be settled once a fortnight, so that no liability need be recognised in a Court of Law beyond that incurred within such a period. If the differences were not paid on the date they were due and the shares were "carried over" the individual carrying them would be doing so absolutely at his own risk, knowing perfectly well that, however the market went, he could not recover any sum greater than that owing to him on the day when payment should have been made.

Lieut.-Col. W. A. Edmeades, D.S.O., R.A., has assumed command of the British Heavy Batteries, Royal Artillery.

Mr. Harry Orr, Hongkong's composer-pianist, is spending a holiday at Saigon, with M. and Mme. Bonenfant, and will give a recital there on the 26th inst.

Before Mr. S. B. B. McElderry, at the Central Magistracy, a Chinese woman was found guilty of using insulting language to a Chinese special guard. She was fined \$25.

It is proclaimed by order of H.E. the Governor in Council that Shanghai is a place at which an infectious or contagious disease prevails, states a *Government Gazette Extraordinary*.

The usual weekly public lecture of the Hongkong Lodge The Theosophical Society, 7, Duddell Street, top floor, will be given to-day, at 5.45 p.m. The public are cordially invited.

A thousand wharf coolies in search of strike pay demonstrated at the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, Shanghai, on August 12th, and went away quietly on being promised money on the following day, but not before a few malcontents had done some damage to furniture.

Of the American forces that assumed control of the city of Manila and vicinity on August 13th, 1898, only seven remain in Manila at the present time. These are C. P. Jarman, Captain H. L. Heath, Captain Clarke, Robert C. Baldwin, Major A. J. Brasse, Charles E. Cull and Henry D. Wolfe.

The enquiry into the death of a Chinese woman, named Li Sze, who died in the Kwong Wah Hospital from the effects of opium on July 7th, was concluded at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, when Mr. E. W. Hamilton sat as Coroner and returned a verdict of suicide whilst of unsound mind, following an illness.

The s.s. *Alaska Jara*, which was previously announced to arrive with papers from London (July 18th) yesterday, is now due in Hongkong to-day. The P. & O. s.s. *Narkunda* is also due at ten o'clock this morning with the Home and Europe mail via Suez, letters and papers, dated London, July 23rd and parcels, July 18th.

A tram-driver was shot dead in Avenue Road, Shanghai, shortly before midnight on August 10th. The tram he was driving was not far from Hart Road when, according to the conductor, four men came from a side turning northwards and fired at the tram driver. One bullet pierced his throat and one, it is stated, hit his thigh. He was immediately laid on the side of the road but died at once. The police were called as quickly as possible from Bubbling Well but the assailants had disappeared.

A large wooden warehouse in which a quantity of old dynamite was stored at Fort William McKinley, Manila, was completely reduced to ashes at about 4.25 a.m. on August 9th, when the contents of the warehouse exploded from an unknown cause, scattering debris for many yards in the vicinity of the explosion. Twelve separate blasts were heard by residents of the resection, but because of the highly inflammable material contained in the destroyed warehouse, no attempt was made to extinguish the fire. According to Major Strangh, provost marshal of Fort McKinley, no one was hurt. Near the destroyed warehouse are fourteen other powder magazines, all of which are constructed of concrete. If they had been of wood, according to army officials, the whole locality would have been blown up.

PROMINENT BARRISTER.

MR. W. W. GRANTHAM, Q.C., DUE TO-DAY.

Among the passengers arriving in Hongkong this morning on board the P. & O. s.s. *Narkunda*, will be Mr. William Wilson Granttham, K.C., son of the late Hon. Mr. Justice Granttham, the famous English Judge.

Mr. Granttham who was born at South Norwood in 1868, was educated at Harrow and Trinity College, Cambridge, being called to the bar of the Inner Temple in 1890. He has been Recorder of Deal since 1906.

He has travelled extensively in North America, Mexico, W. Coast of Africa, Finland and Ireland. He is an all round sportsman, and is particularly keen on hunting and shooting, and has published a book entitled "Stooball and how to play it."

It is believed that Mr. Granttham intends remaining in Hongkong for some time.

LATE PANCHO VILLA.

BODY TAKEN TO MANILA BY "PRESIDENT HARRISON."

When the Dollar round-the-world liner *President Harrison* left Hongkong yesterday morning for Manila there was on board, covered with a flag, the coffin containing the remains of Panchito Villa, the champion Filipino boxer, who died recently after an operation at San Francisco. The body is being taken to Manila for burial.

Villa died on July 4th after being defeated by an Irish lad, Jimmie McLarnin, at the Oakland Park, U.S.A. Defeat was attributed to a diseased jaw which had caused the champion much suffering for some days before the fight.

Panchito Villa died a few hours after the fight as the result of an operation. When Panchito Villa passed through Hongkong earlier this year he gave an exhibition bout with the local lightweight champion, C.T.O. Jim Cartledge.



## CABLES.

LATEST CABLES.  
[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]CAMPAIGN IN MOROCCO.  
LARGE SCALE OPERATION IS  
BEGUN BY FRENCH.

PARIS, August 10th.

A communiqué from Fez states that a large scale operation was begun yesterday, for the purpose of reducing the Moroccan country. An army corps and mixed brigade, commanded by General Bouchet, are participating in the operation.

With a view to cleaning up the Jebel Mourey, artillery and aircraft have been intensively engaged on the Rif centres.

A *Havas Agency* cable states that the operation was opened early in the morning by a heavy bombardment, and is developing normally. The effect on the enemy is considerable and at several points they show a disposition to give up the struggle.

## EARLIER CABLES.

STINNES' MOTOR SHARES.  
WORKERS STILL CONSIDERING  
OFFER.

BERLIN, August 10th.

While Herr Edmund Stinnes is continuing his efforts to get financial assistance from the Prussian Government to prevent closing down his motor-works, it is reported that the representative of a big American automobile concern is contracting with Stinnes with a view to the purchase of the entire works and their extension for the purpose of mass production of cheap cars, which are badly needed in Germany.

Meanwhile the workers are still deliberating Herr Edmund Stinnes' offer, though they have not received last week's wages in full.

MANNESMANN BROS.  
SYNDICATE TO BUY THEIR VAST  
PROPERTY.

BERLIN, August 10th.

Reuter learns that a gigantic financial deal, probably the biggest since the war, is at present being negotiated, whereby an Anglo-American syndicate, the names of whose members are not disclosed are to purchase the entire property of Mannesmann Brothers in the Spanish zone in Morocco and Rif territory.

This vast property includes harbour works at Alhucemas and elsewhere, zinc, sulphur, and other mines, and large tracts of agricultural land.

The reason for the sale is reported to be the unsettled situation of the country, Mannesmann's not seeing any prospect of carrying on without political complications. They intend concentrating their activities in the Balkans.

## COUNTY CRICKET.

LONDON, August 10th.

Playing at Cheltenham, Kent beat Gloucester by an innings and 47 runs. The scores were:

Gloucester, 71 and 300.

Kent, 418.

In Gloucester's first innings, Freeman took six wickets at a cost of 34 runs. When Gloucester went in for the second time, Dipper compiled 52, Hammond 81, and Bloodworth 52. Freeman took six wickets for 114 runs. For Kent, Woolley scored 176, and Harding made 76, and Collins 68.

BELGIAN DEBT TO U.S.  
COOLIDGE MAKES STATEMENT TO  
PRESS.

PLYMOUTH, Vermont, August 10th.

After a two hours' conference at the Presidential home with Mr. Andrew Mellon, Secretary of the Treasury, and Senator Smoot, who reported on the Belgian debt negotiations, President Coolidge made a statement to pressmen. Progress, he said, was satisfactory, and no deadlock had developed.

The Conference will reassemble tomorrow, when a final agreement may be expected.

## OBITUARY.

MAJOR-GENERAL J. B. DICKSON.

LONDON, August 10th.

The death is announced of Major-General John Baillie Dickson.

Major-General J. B. Dickson, C.B., C.M.G., was born in London on October 24th, 1842, and was thus in his 83rd year at the time of his death. He entered the Bengal Cavalry in 1860, and after exchanging later into the Royal Dragoons, served in the Zulu War in 1879, and the Nile Expedition 1894-5. He commanded the troops in the Straits Settlements in 1899-1900, and the 4th Cavalry Brigade in the South African War in the latter year.

[THROUGH HAVAS AGENCY.]

## FRENCH TRADE RETURNS.

PARIS, August 10th.

The French imports for the first seven months of 1925 totalled 21,870,072,000 francs and 26,537,708 tons; against 22,910,857,000 francs and 23,507,978 tons in same period last year. Exports were 23,108,738,000 francs and 17,028,098 tons, against 24,214,821,000 francs and 16,032,202 tons.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

## THE PRINCE'S TOUR.

THE ARGENTINIANS EXTEND  
HEARTY WELCOME.

BUENOS AIRES, August 10th.

Escorted by the Argentine Navy, also by aeroplanes and steamers bearing parties of British, French, and others, H.R.H. the Prince of Wales arrived aboard H.M.S. *Curler* and was enthusiastically welcomed.

## A HEARTY WELCOME.

LATER.

The Prince of Wales was noisily welcomed by the crashing of salutes from Argentinian warships, whistles from a score of vessels in the harbour, the drone of aeroplanes circling overhead, and by shouts of welcome from the packed main street, through which he was slowly driven amid a shower of flowers—not to mention the clicking of the inevitable cameras and cinematographs.

The city in the evening was brilliantly illuminated. The Prince was entertained at a banquet at Government House, followed by a military tattoo.

LATEST CABLES  
SOME HAPPY SPEECHES.

BUENOS AIRES, August 10th.

The gala and banquet at Government Palace was numerously attended. Those present included Government and Civil authorities, Diplomats and other prominent personages.

President Alvear, toasting the Prince of Wales, said that his visit afforded a wonderful opportunity to draw closer the historic bonds of Anglo-Argentine amity. The Prince of Wales, in reply, said that South Africa and Argentina were both new lands, with different problems to solve, but both were working confidently for human progress and civilisation. He was sure that Anglo-Argentine friendship and commercial intercourse would be prolonged indefinitely.

President Alvear has cabled a message of goodwill to King George.

RICSHA COOLIE'S "SQUEEZE."  
COURT STORY OF EXTORTION IN  
SHANGHAI.

Another flagrant attempt at extortion on the part of public ricksha coolies in Shanghai was brought to light with the arrest of a coolie, at Sincin district on August 10th.

The evidence against the coolie was unimpeachable owing to the absence of the complainant who was a visiting seaman from the Bank Line vessel *Elmhurst*, but what evidence was told revealed that the coolie had adopted the customary procedure of running with his passenger into Chinese territory and there demanded an exorbitant amount of fare. For a run from the Palace Hotel, into Nantao the coolie demanded sixty cents, and each time the foreigner protested the demand increased until finally as much as \$2.60 was paid to the coolie to prevent an assault at the hands of the crowd which had collected.

The matter was reported to the police who investigated and arrested the coolie who was sentenced to three days' imprisonment.

FAR EASTERN CABLE  
NEWS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

## SITUATION IN THE NORTH.

A SPLIT AMONG SHANGHAI  
UNIONS.

DEFALCATION OF FUNDS ALLEGED.

SHANGHAI, August 10th.

A secret meeting of a number of unions affiliated to the General Union of Labour, Education and Commerce, has passed a resolution, seceding from the General Union. This action is due to the alleged defalcation of strike funds on the part of the General Union Officials.

The situation on the water front is improving gradually and most of the wharf coolies have resumed work.

## THE POSTAL STRIKE.

The Ministry of Communications in Peking has authorised the local Post Office to offer the strikers an increase of wages, but the strikers have rejected the offer.

Junior clerks, starting on \$20 a month were offered \$35, but they demand \$32.50.

The officials have requested the public not to use the pillar-boxes, but to call at the Post Office for mails.

## COURTING BRITISH LABOUR.

CHANG SHIH CHAO APPEALS FOR  
SYMPATHY.

A MIXED COURT FABLE.

LONDON, August 10th.

Mr. Chang Shih Chao, the Chinese Minister of Justice, has telegraphed to Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, Mr. Bertrand Russell, Mr. H. G. Wells, Mr. Bernard Shaw and others, declaring *inter alia* that the Shanghai Mixed Court has no legal foundation. It is due to its existence that the local Chinese Court is prevented from holding a judicial enquiry into the recent shooting affair.

The continued existence of the Mixed Court, Mr. Chang adds, will constitute further evils that are bound to breed troubles.

## STRIKE IN PEKING.

BRITISH CHANCELLERY IS STILL  
WITHOUT CHINESE EMPLOYEES.

DOMESTICS DRIBBLING BACK.

PEKING, August 10th.

The British Legation is still without employees in the chancellery.

The fitters at the power house have not yet returned, though the domestic servants appear to be dribbling back.

## ITALIAN AIRMAN.

MAJOR DI PINEDO REACHES  
CELEBES.

BATAVIA, August 10th.

Major di Pinedo, the Italian airman, has arrived at Menado.

[Menado is one of the most beautiful towns in the East Indies, on the north shore of Minahassa, in the Celebes. It is a free port with a large trade to Batavia and China. The population is 4,000.]

## A LOATHSOME FILM.

CINEMA USED FOR SOVIET  
PROPAGANDA.

Moscow is exploiting the Cinema in its insidious campaign against Britain and British prestige. Advertisements in the Moscow papers announce that the Goskino, the Soviet Cinematograph Trust, has completed, after a month's hard work, a 15,000-ft. film entitled "The Yellow Race."

It depicts the life of the Chinese factory workers, and the villain is an Englishman, who is represented as the superintendent of a factory in which a number of young Chinese girls are employed. The film could not be shown in Europe because of its indecencies. The hero is a young Chinese Communist student, who is guided and advised by his friend, a Russian agitator of the Third International. The end of the picture shows the Englishman boarding a steamer to leave China and the happy factory under the management of a Chinese Soviet.

The Moscow board of censorship has passed the picture as having untold agitation value, and the management of the Goskino has been congratulated and ordered to make a hundred copies for distribution in Russia and China.

## CORRUPT CONSTABLE.

SENT TO GAOL IN SHANGHAI FOR  
ATTEMPTED "SQUEEZE."

Charged on remand with corruptly attempting to obtain \$20 as a reward or inducement for refraining from arresting the laodah of a ferry-boat for a supposed contravention of the rules of his licence, Charles Fletcher, a former constable in the River Police, Chinese Maritime Customs, appeared in H.M. Police Court, Shanghai, on August 12th.

Defendant, the prosecution alleged, at the time of the offence, July 25th—was employed as a constable of the River Police. At about 3 a.m. on the day in question he was in charge of police pinnace No. 3 with a laodah and an engineer on board. His duties were to regulate river traffic, and to prevent any overcrowding on the ferry boats.

In the course of his duties he saw a ferry boat belonging to Ching Chi Sun crossing the river from Pootung and approaching asked the laodah why they had so many passengers on board.

They then towed the ferry boat back to Pootung where the alleged attempted "squeeze" took place. A report was sent in by the Wousung, Shanghai Constabulary of the occurrence to the Commissioner of Customs, who after making inquiries, gave instructions on July 27th that when defendant returned to the station from his duty he was to be told that he had been suspended. This was done and immediately afterwards defendant left the place, and was not seen until arrested in Hankow.

After hearing the evidence, His Worship convicted defendant, and passed sentence of four months' hard labour.

## BANK CLERK'S DOWNFALL.

SAD STORY TOLD IN LONDON  
COURT.

At the Mansion House, on July 10th, Peter Geddes, 36, a clerk, was sentenced to six months' imprisonment in the second division for stealing £245 from the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, his employers. The defendant, who had been in hospital since April 22nd, suffering from injuries said to have been inflicted by himself, appeared in court with his head bandaged, and was allowed to be seated.

It was stated that the defendant entered the bank's service in 1912, and finally became second clerk in the outward-bill department at a salary of £750. His manager said he was looked upon as "one of the most capable and rising men in the bank's service." In the present case he cashed a fictitious order on the cashier for £245.

The solicitor for the prosecution, said the total amount involved was £3,000, the thefts extending over a period of five years.

The solicitor for the defence, said his client was a married man with one child, and if he had a further opportunity would make good. Further evidence was given of his excellent war record, which included the award of the M.C. on the field.

The Lord Mayor, in imposing the sentence, said he took into consideration the excellent character given the defendant by his colonel, and also the fact that he had tried to shoot himself.

## REWARD OF ENDEAVOUR.

A NOTABLE COUPLE WHO HAD  
LOWLY BEGINNINGS.

*Exhausting thought,  
And living wisdom with each studious  
year.*—Byron.

Two Britons, who, after years of arduous and self-denying study have suddenly sprung into world-wide fame as the joint parents of a remarkable new discovery, already alluded to in our columns, which will revolutionize the attitude of the medical profession towards the cancer scourge, are Dr. W. E. Gye and Mr. J. E. Barnard, the latter of whose expertise in ultra-microscopic work was of enormous assistance to the former in his purely medical researches.

It is a remarkable fact that both of these prominent figures in the world of science started from modest beginnings. Dr. Gye was the son of a railway worker and began life as a railway clerk at 17s. per week. By dint of extraordinarily diligent home studies, and also extreme self-denial at an early age, he equipped himself mentally and financially to take a B.Sc. degree at London University, and later to proceed to the University of Edinburgh.

Mr. Barnard was formerly a Jermyn Street hatter, with a strong leaning, as an amateur towards, scientific microscopic work, and so great a degree of proficiency did he laboriously achieve in this, that he was eventually enabled to adopt it as a profession to the exclusion of his hat business.

## SCOTTISH LETTER.

MINING COURT OF INQUIRY.  
SOCIALIST CONSERVATIVE  
CHAIRMAN.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

EDINBURGH, July 15th.

Whatever opinions there may be as to whether the Court of Inquiry into the differences in the coal trade will avert a stoppage, it is admitted that the Government have been singularly fortunate in the composition of the tribunal. That in itself may prove a valuable asset on the side of peace. The last to challenge the fitness of that Scottish lawyer, Mr. Hugh MacMillan, for the difficult post of chairmanship would be the Socialist leaders, for they had abundant reason to appreciate the efficiency and discretion with which he acted as Lord Advocate for Scotland in their Administration. Their appreciation was shown by the extent to which individually and collectively they sought his assistance on matters outside his official duties. That was illustrated by the fact that one of Mr. Ramsay MacDonald's last decisions was to ask Mr. Macmillan to be chairman of the Royal Commission on the English Lunacy Laws. Since he resumed private practice Mr. Macmillan has been kept exceedingly busy in London, appearing before the Parliamentary Committee, the Privy Council, and the Judicial Committee of the House of Lords. His new duties will involve considerable sacrifice of professional engagements, but the assurance of the Prime Minister and Mr. Bridgeman that his assistance was regarded as essential was at once accepted by Mr. Macmillan as conclusive.

The Selangor St. Andrew's Society, Kuala Lumpur, Federated Malay States, has again requested (the *Scotsman*), through its honorary secretary, Mr. D. Murchison, to distribute a sum of money, donated by the Society, among deserving and necessitous Scottish hospital, with a special direction that £5 should be allocated to St. Dunstan's Home for Blind Soldiers. The gift—which this year amounts to £50—has been divided equally among the ten following institutions:—Royal Infirmary, Edinburgh; Longmore Hospital for Incurables, Edinburgh; Royal Infirmary, Glasgow; Western Infirmary, Glasgow; Royal Infirmary, Dundee; Royal Infirmary, Aberdeen; Perth County and City Royal Infirmary; Northern Infirmary, Inverness; Newington House for Scottish Blind Soldiers and Sailors; and St. Dunstan's Home for Blind Soldiers.

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not emphasise London's tardiness. One must be content to applaud London for following in excellent footsteps, and marvel anew at the amazing popularity of the pastime. No resort of any pretension now-a-days is complete without its putting green. An English contemporary considers that the circumstance "augurs well for the future of British golf," but it is equally permissible to think that it does nothing of the kind. The conditions at most putting greens bear little resemblance to those obtaining on the greens of a championship course, and skill at the one game is not necessarily any criterion of success at the other. Otherwise, the man who lost Harry Vardon at a clock golf competition at a garden fête would really be the champion golfer he laughingly claimed to be. Too much folk—and the discerning folk, too—putting green golf is a thing apart. It gives mild exercise to thousands who neither know the difference between a socked drive and an overlapping grip, nor care. It also is a wonderful source of revenue, and it is much better to accept it on this pleasant give-and-take basis than to search for other virtues that are not so apparent. Wembley will certainly accept it as such—and it will not surprise us to learn that in a week or two the putting green (despite London's indifference to golf) is the most popular feature of the Exhibition.

PROFESSOR PATRICK GEDDES.

The Civil List pension of £100 to Professor Patrick Geddes is of interest to London as well as to Scotland, for Cheltenham, like Edinburgh, has its Geddes Settlements for students. At present Mr. Geddes is Professor of Sociology and Civics at the University of Bombay, but before he specialised in Civics, he was a Botanist, and occupied the Martin White Chair for the teaching of that subject at University College, Dundee. In his early days Professor Geddes, a native of Perth, went orchid hunting in Brazil. He took a big part in the planning of Delhi as India's new capital, and he was engaged by the International Zionist Commission to draw up a plan for a new Jerusalem. The second was a job after the Professor's own heart. He had been planning new Jerusalem all his days, and even the failure of his missionary efforts at Juteopolis did not quench his zeal.

A BOYISH TRIBUTE.

The boys of the fishing villages along the shores of the Moray Firth are keen egg collectors, especially of the many-sea-birds that nest among the cliffs on that rocky coast. One Saturday afternoon recently a score or so of these lads set out on a bird-nesting expedition. They generally climb up the rocks from the shore, but as the tide was in on this occasion they had to go to the headland and work their way down to where the nests were. One of their number, a sturdy boy of 14, had just reached a sort of natural plateau when his foot slipped and down he fell 50 feet headlong into the sea. Of course, rescue was out of the question, but his body was found when the tide went back. Next Saturday the rest of the lads again set out for the headland, but with a different mission in view. Each carried a large shell in his pocket. One by one the boys descended to the spot where their companion had fallen, and placed a shell in position. When completed the collection formed a beautiful cross. I saw the cross some time later by craning my neck over the top of the headland, and I could not but wonder at, and admire, the heroism and devotion of these brave northern "loons" for their dead companion.

AMIE AND THE MAGPIES.

Here is the late Amir of Afghanistan's opinion of the Scottish bagpipes as told by Sir Michael O'Dwyer in his new book "India as I Knew It" (Constable). At a banquet at Jellalabad the famous pipers of the Black Watch played during dinner. In the approved fashion they marched round the table, sixteen in number, and almost raised the roof by their volume of sound. Finally, as the time came for the loyal toasts, they formed up behind the Amir's chair and redoubled their efforts as a special compliment to him. They slowly filed past. As the stirring strains died away, Sir Harold Deane turned to the Amir and said, "I hope your Highness liked the pipers! We are proud of them." The Amir's reply was— "Splendid, magnificent, but one would have been sufficient."

SHANGHAI MIXED COURT.

HAS IT POWER TO CONVICT  
AGITATORS?

The Court of Consuls is to be called upon to decide the question of whether the Mixed Court in Shanghai has or has not jurisdiction in the prosecution of an alleged strike ringleader arrested within the International Settlement and charged with operating in Chapei in connection with matters directly affecting the Settlement. This point was raised in Court by Mr. J. Em. Lemiere, who with Mr. Russell Chen is defending Ts. Kyeu Kwei (28) alleged strike agitator and powerful member of the Tramway Company's Union on trial for this offence at the instigation of the Tramway Company.

WHAT SCOTLAND DOES TO DAY.

A "Wandering Scot" reminds us that golf is still an exclusive game in London. Nevertheless London has always an eye for the main chance, and possibly the reason which has inspired the introduction of a putting green at Wembley. It is a belated contribution towards a brighter Exhibition, but when one remembers how long it took Edinburgh to follow the example of St. Andrews in the institution of putting greens one must

The decision of the Court of Consuls is awaited with the keenest interest.



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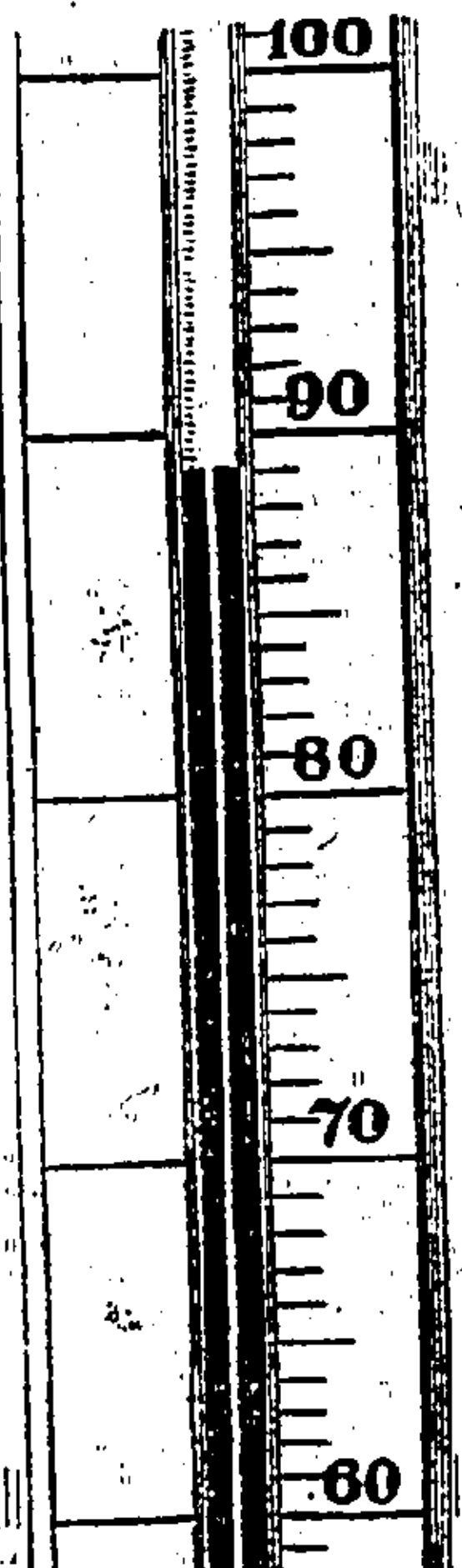
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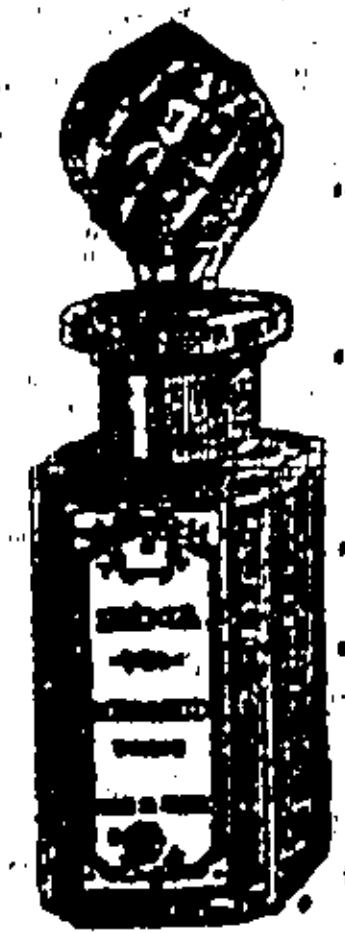
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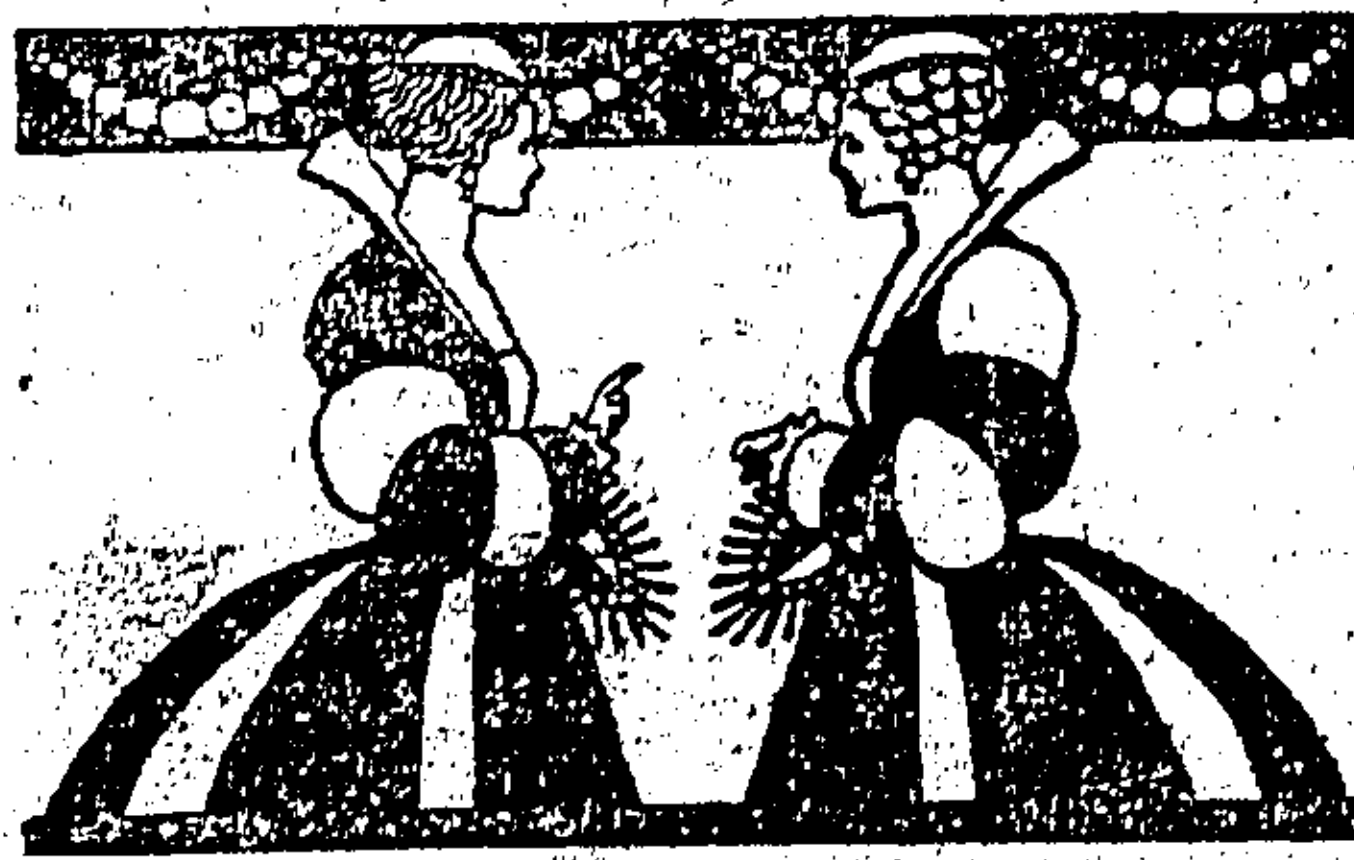
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## LOCAL SPORT.

## GARRISON TENNIS.

Matches in the Garrison Tennis League last week resulted as follows:—"A" Co., East Surrey Regt. beat R.E. "A" by 32 to 47; R.A.O.C. beat "B" Co., East Surrey Regt. by 19 to 9; R.A.O.C. beat "D" Co., East Surrey Regt. by 6 to 18; R.A.S.C. beat "A" Co., East Surrey Regt. by 68 to 31; R.E. "B" beat R.E. "A" by 35 to 44.

## BASEBALL LEAGUE.

## NEW TREASURER APPOINTED.

At a meeting of the Hongkong Baseball League, which took place at the American Consulate, yesterday evening, bye-laws and constitution were discussed.

The resignation of Mr. H. Sling as honorary treasurer, was accepted, and in his place Mr. L. R. Hilderson was elected.

Those present were Mr. A. E. Dome (Hongkong Baseball Club) Chairman, Messrs. Oscar Enger (H.V.D.C.), Y. Kanoh (Japanese Club), L. R. Hilderson (Filipino Club), June and Pan (South China).

It was announced that fixtures would be continued up to September 19th.

## INTERPORT SHOOTING.

The official Hongkong results of the Interport rifle meeting were delayed owing to the local mobilisation, but were received in Shanghai last week. The Hongkong team scored only 873 this year, so Shanghai, with 921, wins the contest, Singapore and Penang having retired. The Northern team including Portuguese, Chinese and Japanese marksmen. The trophy will be forwarded to Shanghai by Hongkong shortly.

## A.B. CHADWICK.

## FORMER LOCAL BOXER'S SUCCESS AT HOME.

Formerly well-known in Hongkong, boxing circles, when he was stationed here two years ago, A.B. Chadwick is achieving note in the boxing world at home.

Mr. J. Brook, manager of the Hongkong Boxing Association, has received word that Chadwick (formerly of H.M.S. "Marathon"), now Seaman Chadwick of Chatham was billed to box a 15 3-minute round main event with Billy Colbourne at the Liverpool Stadium. Chadwick won in two rounds, the referee stopping the fight to save Colbourne from further punishment.

## HONGKONG IMPORTS.

The following notes are taken from the fortnightly circular of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, dated August 14th:—

Cotton piece goods and fancy cotton goods.—Our market remains almost at a complete standstill, and beyond isolated clearances—strictly limited in both quantity and style—for Formosan, Straits and Siamese Ports, there is nothing doing.

Latest Cotton quotations to hand are those dated Liverpool 13th instant. Mid. Am. "Spot" 13 1/2d. Egs. Sakel 20.75d.

Cotton yarn.—During the interval our market has ruled quiet. No business of any importance has taken place and prices closed on the easy side.

Woolens.—Market closed.  
Raw cottons.—There is no change to report.

Metals.—Business remains at a complete standstill.

Flour market report. Stocks: about 300,000 sacks. Market: dull as exports limited. Quotations (per sack): American Patent \$4.50, American Straight 3.55, American Cut off \$4.50, Shanghai Flour \$3.00, Australian Flour \$2.50, Canadian Flour \$2.50.

Sundries.—No quotations available, on account of the existing conditions.

Sugar.—Market quiet.  
Saltpetre.—Stock (11,000) bags. Market at complete standstill owing to the existing troubles.

## SAIGON RICE.

The Compagnie de Commerce et de Navigation d'Extreme-Orient, of Saigon, in a message dated August 12th state:

Market.—Our market has strongly advanced during the course of the last week owing to a certain amount of business having been closed with Japan, Philippine Islands and China. To-day, the tendency is weaker. Concerning broken, the position remains unchanged. The supply of paddy is still rather poor.

The total amount of rice exported from 1st January to 31st July, 1925, was 990,985,920 tons against 755,001,823 in 1924.

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## RUBBER MARKET.

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Mail advices dated 14th July under the heading of "Rubber Boom" read:—  
Yesterday was a day of great excitement in the rubber share market, business in which completely overshadowed that of other departments. Under the stimulus of a further spectacular rise in the price of the commodity from 4s. 9d. to 4s. 4 1/2d. there was heavy buying of rubber shares of all kinds and though a good deal of selling was effected, partly by those who were left with high-priced shares bought in the first "boom," purchases outnumbered sales.

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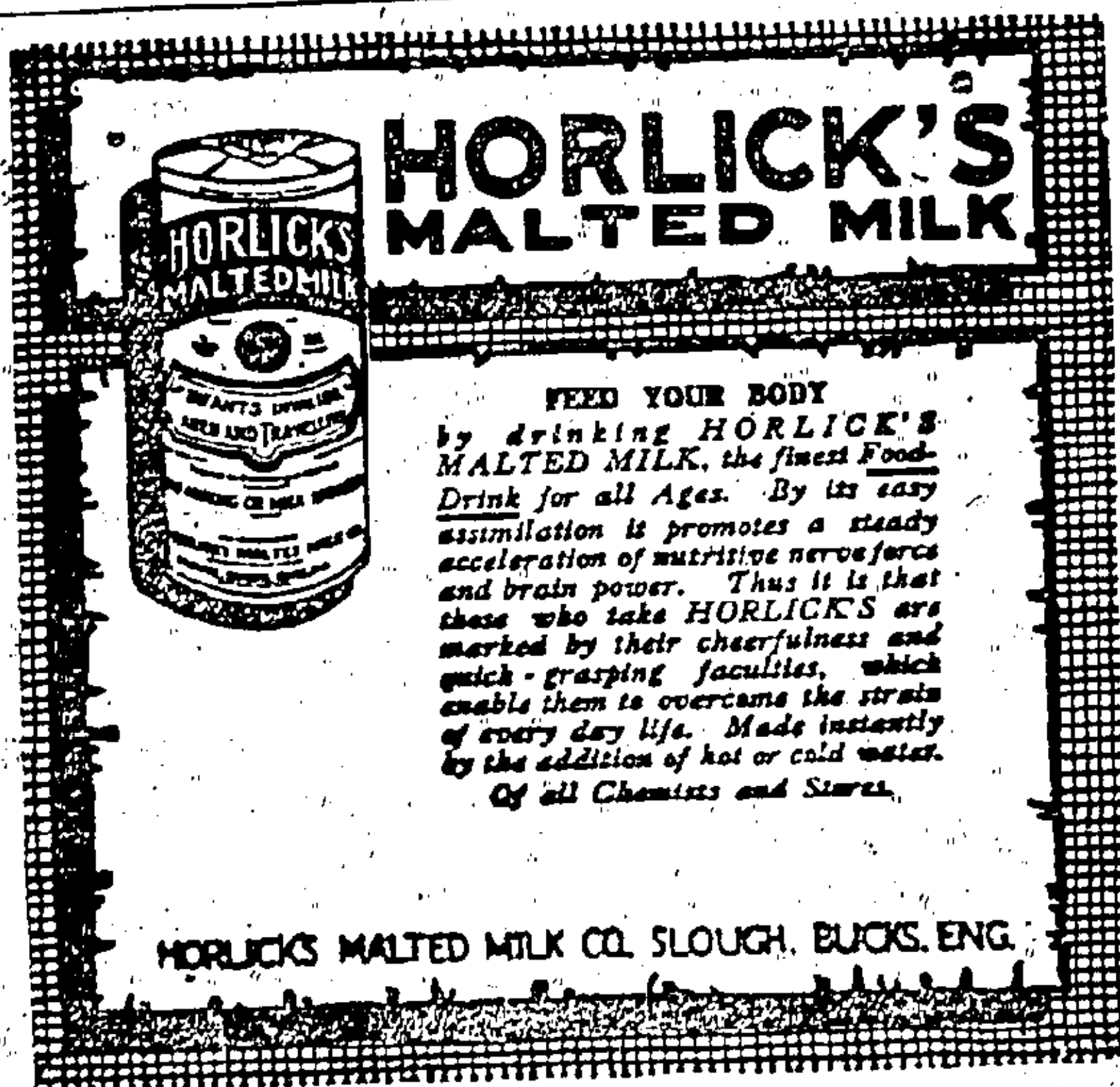
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## MODERN TIRED YOUNG MAN.

A NEW AND UGLY SOCIAL  
PHENOMENON.

Every one with his eyes open must have become familiar with a new type of young man in London. He is a social phenomenon. There is something wrong with him. He is between the ages of 18 and 25 years, and his distinctive characteristic is a lack of masculinity, states the *Daily Express*.

Hostesses this season have found him to be an affected nincompoop, and girls of his own age appeal to him as little as he appeals to them. If a consensus of opinion could be taken among young women this type of man, always of undergraduate age, would be voted a complete ass.

"I cannot bear the modern young man," is the common cry of girls of 20. "He has nothing to talk about. He is insipid."

## A CULT.

Londoners, with characteristic tolerance, affected to laugh at the effeminate youth when he first appeared in public some time ago. But he is becoming a cult. Exaggerated dress is the least of his peculiarities. His voice is weary and affected, his pose is feminine, his outlook anemic, and his general attitude of life bloodless. The public schools have not succeeded in kicking this out of him. He is thriving and increasing in the universities, and it is a solemn fact that young men in other stations in life are gradually apeing his dress and manner.

Men in the thirties who fought in the trenches find this type of youth intolerable. They have nothing in common. They find him as futile as young women find him; a vain, self-centred, lifeless, not-worth-while creature, interested to a ridiculous extent in the niceties of dress and unimportant snobberies of life.

What is wrong with him? What is the cause of his type? He is not common to this country. A tinge of effeminacy has been noted among the young men of other countries.

It is not suggested that he is sexually depraved, yet his attitude of mind is not normal. Is he a social curiosity due to the war? The back swing of the pendulum; the penalty the world is paying for the wave of masculinity that spent itself in death during five years of war?

The dandy of the 18th century was at least a man. This type of youth in an exquisite without masculinity. His languid pose, his silly, clipped weary voice, his affected gestures, and even the scent he has begun to employ, can be noted in any public place in London.

## MYSTERY OF FUTURE.

What is his future? He is not a child; he is at an age when a young man should be preparing to grapple with the realities of life. The not-worth-while young man, unless he pulls himself together and acquires a few of the ordinary common attributes of masculine youth, will make himself the laughing-stock of this age. In the commercial life to which he will soon be called he will be a poor joke; if he goes abroad he will become the worst advertisement this country could put forward.

He is not a worker. All he asks is to be allowed to drift fatuously through life admiring the neckties, the high-necked jumpers, and the Oxford trousers of his tribe. He is a snob and a fool, and the sad thing about him is his pride in his 'preciousness.'

Is he a swing-back to the snobbery which the war broke down? Is some deep-seated instinct for the survival for such things having its revenge on a generation which was too young to play the part of men and is now glorying in being neither man nor woman?

This type of young man would not be worth discussing were it not that, however unpleasant, he is considered by some to be a symptom.

## EXCAVATIONS AT ATHENS.

100,000 PEOPLE TO BE MOVED.

It was announced on July 5th by Dr. Edward Capps, Greek Professor at Princeton University, U.S.A., and formerly American Minister in Athens, that a concession for archaeological excavation in the heart of Athens has been granted by the Greek Government to the American School of Classical Studies.

More than forty of the United States Universities and Colleges will assist in the work. The concession covers fifteen blocks northwards and eastwards of the Acropolis and the Areopagus, including the site of the Agora (market place). It will be necessary for the Americans to compensate the present inhabitants in that area, about 100,000 in all, for whom the Greek Government will provide housing sites elsewhere.

Dr. E. A. Gardner, Vice-Chancellor of the University of London, and a former Director of the British School of Archaeology at Athens, stated afterwards that the concession which had been granted by the Greek Government to the Americans was very important.

The area was situated in the central portion of Athens, where up to now it had been impossible to excavate because the area was inhabited and the expense of buying the houses was prohibitive. The excavation of this area had long been considered desirable. Practically nothing was known of the topography of the Agora.

The area to be excavated, if the figures are accurate, would include such well-known sites as the Agora, the Stoa of Hadrian, the "Tower of the Winds," and, apparently, the Little Byzantine Cathedral Church. There is no doubt that a really thorough investigation of this area, if possible, would add much to our knowledge of ancient Athens.

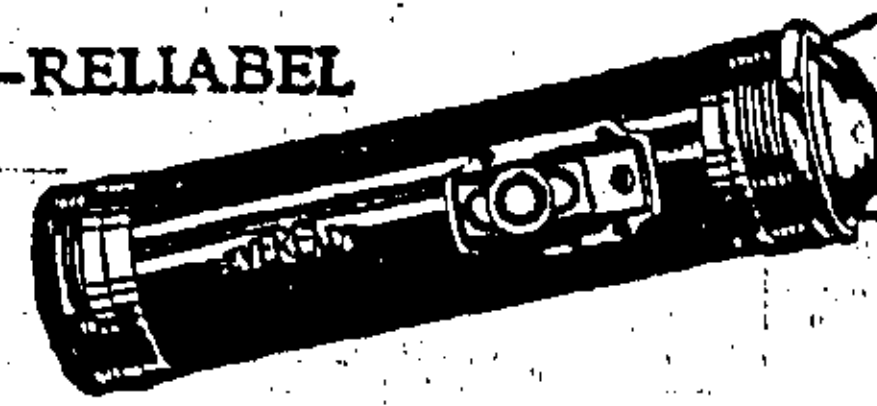
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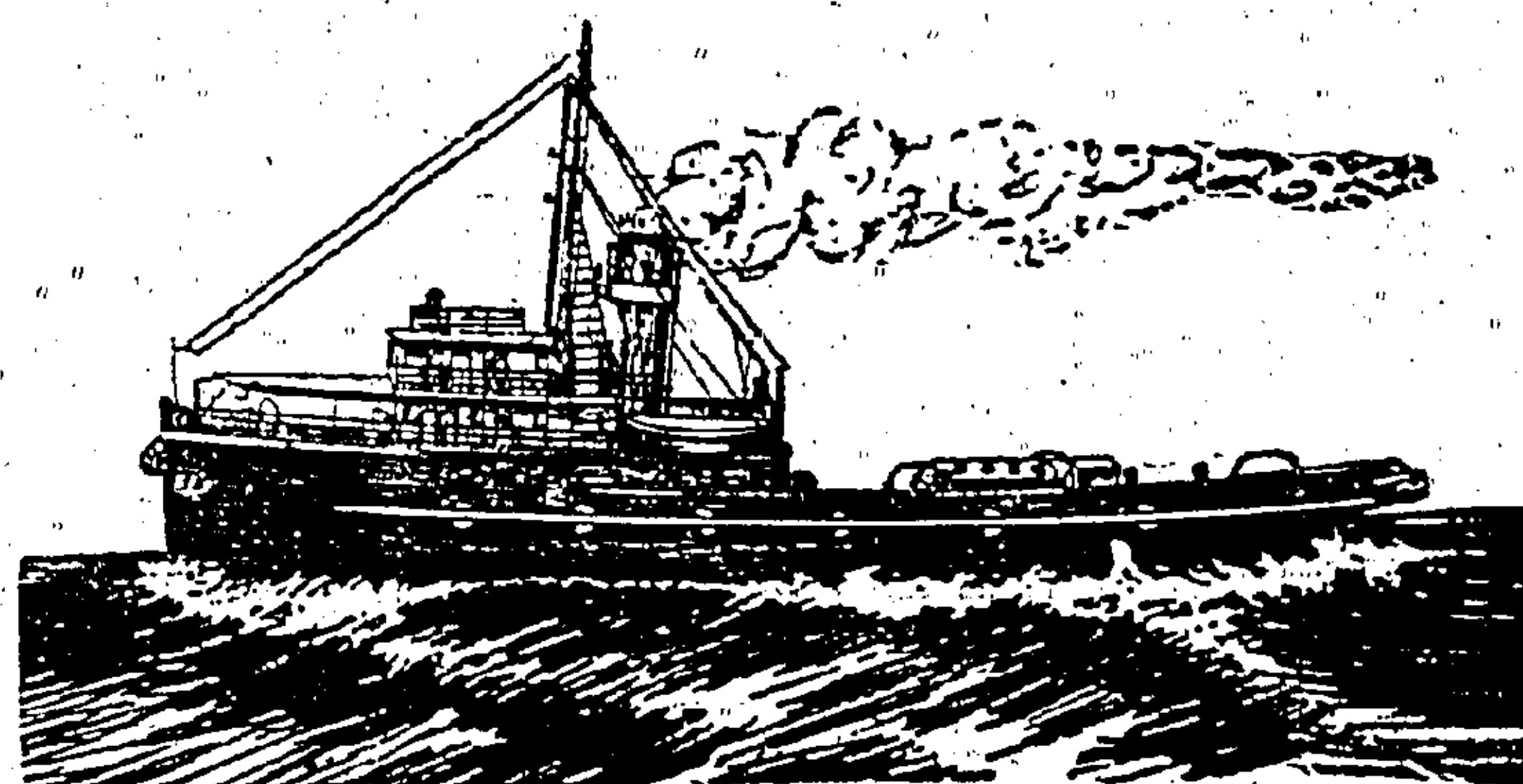
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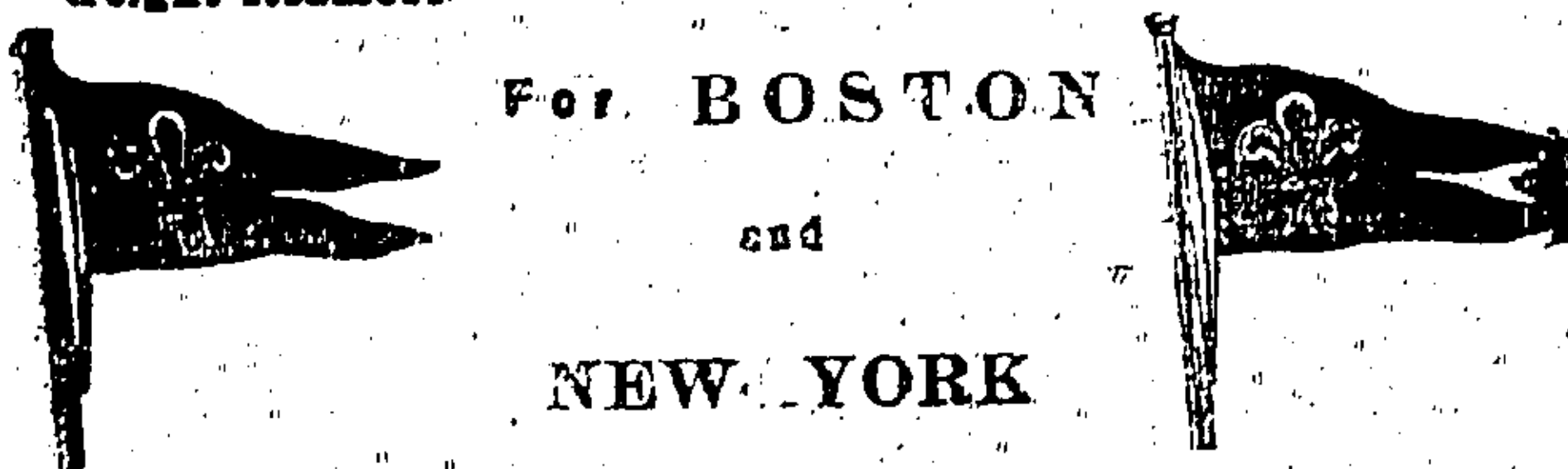
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"KARMALA"	4,128	3rd Oct.	Marseilles, London & A'werp.
"BOUDAN"	6,896	15th Oct.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way.
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"MANTUA"	10,902	14th Nov.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KALYAN"	9,144	28th Nov.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KASHMIR"	8,935	10th Dec.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way.
"MOREA"	10,911	13th Dec.	Marseilles & London
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"ARAFURA"	6,000	12th Sept.	Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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